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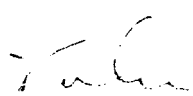
Mr. Robert C. McFarlane  
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Bud,

Jim Williams advised me that General Doyle, the Director of Intelligence for SAC, is concerned about the potential damage that could be done to our national security by the proposed public sale of unclassified imagery taken from the NASA shuttle flights. The sale of such photography could disclose sensitive national security information, including our own force readiness, force disposition, potential targeting and details of critical defense facilities.

Could you step in on this one and ensure that any such public sale of unclassified imagery is not detrimental to our national security.

Sincerely,

  
John N. McMahon  
Acting Director

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cc: LTG James A. Williams, D/DIA

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